N4112K

On 1/12/2020 I (Clinton Copeland) joined The lead mechanic (Eric Wilson) and airport manager (Eric Willhite) on the ramp waiting for N4112K to land. While waiting for the aircraft to land we gathered the equipment to recuse the aircraft. (tow bar, tug, forklift, and pallet.) After cleared by airport police we got out to the aircraft with R/H gear up, we used the forklift and a pallet to lift the wing at the jack point. We found the R/h gear door open but the gear still on the up lock hook. We released the hook and let the gear down and locked it by hand. After verifying that all gear are down and locked, we hooked the tug to the aircraft removed it from the runway. Then secured the aircraft inside our hangar.

Clinton Copeland

FAI MX Supervisor

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On Jan 12, 2020 around 10:30-11:00 I was informed Loretta in N4112K was having gear issues in Galena. I got ahold of her and we talked about returning to Fairbanks. She turned around and headed back. When she was closer around 11:15 I went down to the gate to talk to her over the radio with the Airport Manager Eric and was on the phone with Director of Operations Evan Veal. We ran through all the procedures over the radio about how to get the gear down in an emergency. She had success getting the left and nose gears down, the right gear would not unlock and stayed retracted. She reported she was going to head out to the practice area and attempt to shake the gear down. Eric the Airport manager and I got in the truck and headed down to the hangar to prepare for a gear up landing. Clinton Copeland showed up at this time and we watched her make the landing after being instructed to hold by Airport Police and Fire by the hangar. The plane came in and landed on two gear and skid to a stop. We grabbed the forklift and tug and waited for the all clear from Ops. We were escorted out on the runway and slid a pallet under the right wing jackpad and picked it up. I crawled under and locked the gear into place with Clinton. We were escorted back to the hangar and secured the aircraft inside.

Eric Wilson

Mechanic Lead Dayshift